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Figure 1: Map of the study area in the western North Pacific. The top panel shows a detailed map of the study area from 112.5°E to 122.5°E and 34°N to 38°N, highlighting the Japan Sea and surrounding landmasses. The bottom panel shows a series of maps along the coast of Japan, from A to E, illustrating the location of the study area relative to major cities and geographical features. The maps are labeled with coordinates and distances in nautical miles.